



**SUMMARY OF NOTES FOR THE REGULAR
MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON
DISABILITIES
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://laccod.org>**

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

1:00 PM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-3097)

Call to Order. (14-2578)

President Janet A. Neal called the meeting to order at 1:17 p.m.

After roll call, it was indicated by staff Emma De Jesus that there was no quorum and no action could be taken by the Commission.

Present: President Janet A. Neal, Treasurer Winslow C. Reitnouer,
Commissioner Steve Miller and Commissioner Alexia Teran

Absent: 1st Vice President Wendy Welt Narro

Excused: 2nd Vice President John B. Troost, Commissioner Edward A.
Colley, Commissioner Michael Gureckas, Commissioner John R.
James, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner
Kecia Brooke Weller, Commissioner Sheila D. Wright and
Commissioner Wan Chun Chang

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of June 18, 2014. (14-2584)

In the absence of a quorum, this item was continued without discussion to the meeting of August 20, 2014.

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2. Recommendation as submitted by President Janet A. Neal: Approve the reappointment of John B. Troost as the Commission on Disabilities' Access Services Board representative for 2014-2015. (14-2910)

In the absence of a quorum, this item was continued without discussion to the meeting of August 20, 2014.

3. Installation of Officers for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. (14-3041)

Rhonda Rangel administered the Oath of Office to President Janet A. Neal and Treasurer Winslow C. Reitnouer.

President Janet A. Neal presented Certificates of Appreciation to members of the Standing Committees and Community Partners.

II. PRESENTATION

4. Presentation by Robert Gorski on ADA25 - the 25th Anniversary celebration of the Americans with Disabilities Act. (14-3037)

Robert Gorski provided a brief presentation on ADA25 - the 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. During 2015, the Pasadena Accessibility and Disability Commission will promote a year-long celebration in Pasadena, California. He asked the Commission to participate in their events.

Commissioner Alexia Teran added that the Congress for Neighborhood Councils will have an event on September 28, 2014 at the Los Angeles City Hall. She will coordinate with Mr. Gorski and the Council to promote ADA25.

President Janet A. Neal thanked Mr. Gorski for his presentation.

No action was taken by the Commission.

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III. DISCUSSION

5. Discussion on the Fiscal Regulations, divisional role and responsibility to the Commission with by Executive Office - Fiscal Services Division, as requested by Commissioners Sheila Wright and Alexia Teran at the meeting of June 18, 2014. (14-2911)

Nanette Herrera and Albert Navas of the Executive Office Fiscal Services Division, gave a brief presentation on the County Fiscal Regulations and responded to questions posed by the following:

A. Commissioner Alexia Teran requested documentation regarding trust funds be submitted to the Commission as reference. She also inquired about authorization to approve funding.

B. President Janet A. Neal, Commissioner Steve Miller and Treasurer Winslow C. Reitnouer addressed the Fiscal Services Division staff.

Twila Kerr, Chief, Commission Services presented the 2011-2013 Profit/Expense and 2014 Projected Profit/Expense Report of the Access Awards Luncheon events as follows:

In 2011, the Access Awards Luncheon event, had a Net Profit of \$4,315.69. In 2012, the Access Awards Luncheon event, had a Net Loss of (\$2,704.79). In 2013, the Access Awards Luncheon event, had a Net Loss of (\$3,299.80). In 2014, the projected Net Loss for Annual Access Award Luncheon of (\$4,380.63).

Ms. Kerr noted the projected cost analysis for 2014 was based on the average cost for all three past years and the all-inclusive catering cost at the Omni Hotel that includes a guarantee of 250 guests. In response to questions from Commissioners Steve Miller and Alexia Teran, Ms. Kerr referenced the report and noted the number of attendees and the number of complimentary attendees for each event. She also noted the Commission would need to raise their ticket sale price to \$120 to break even if they were to hold an event at the Omni Hotel.

Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Commission.

After discussion, President Janet A. Neal thanked presenters for their informative presentations. No action was taken by the Commission.

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- 6. President's Report for July 2014. (14-2611)**

President Janet A. Neal provided the following updates:

- A. Executive Committee meeting goals to improve communications with the staff and with the District Liaisons.**
- B. Committee Structure will remain the same and the Election Committee will remain as an Ad-Hoc Committee.**

Linda Block addressed the Commission.

After discussion, no action was taken by the Commission.

IV. REPORTS

- 7. Treasurer's Quarterly Report for Fiscal Year 2013-14 by Treasurer Winslow Reitnouer. (14-2245)**

Twila Kerr, Chief, Commission Services and N'Nette Williams, Assistant Chief, Commission Services presented the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Treasurer Winslow C. Reitnouer:

The Disability Trust Fund Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2014 was \$3,786.09.

The total expenses for June 2014 for the Installation of Officers Reception and Total Recall Captioning was \$693.52.

This left the Commission with a Total Available Balance of \$3,092.57.

The Total Projected Additional Costs (Captioning for 2014-2015, End of the Year Open House, and Scholarship Program Refreshments) was \$4,630.00.

This leaves the Commission with a Projected Working Balance for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 of (-\$1,537.43).

This total did not include the Donation made from the Resnick Foundation specifically for the Scholarship Program.

During discussion, Ms. Kerr responded to questions posted by President Janet A. Neal, Treasurer Winslow C. Reitnouer, Commissioners Alexia Teran and Steve Miller. Commissioners noted, further discussion on the Trust Fund with a full Commission quorum would be needed, before further consideration on the remaining balance can be determined.

After discussion, the report was received and filed with no action taken by the Commission.

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8. Monthly Report by Standing Committees:

- Education: Commissioners Troost (Chair), James, Neal
- Events: Commissioners Neal (Chair), Troost, Reitnouer, Teran, Wright
- Transportation: Commissioners Neal (Chair), Reitnouer, Troost, Teran
- Housing: Commissioners Wendy Welt Narro (Chair), Teran (14-2613)

President Janet A. Neal called on the following Committees to report:

There were no reports submitted for the Education, Transportation and Housing Committees.

Events Committee Chair Neal noted that having an event at the Hall of Administration would be a good idea if it did not cost the Commission anything. She asked help from the audience on the cost for the event. Chair Neal also asked for any local radio stations that might be interested in picking up the Disability Network and asked the Commission to be a non-financial sponsor.

After discussion, no action was taken by the Commission.

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9. Receive and File the Access Services, Incorporated Board meeting report as submitted by Commissioner John B. Troost. (14-2615)

In the absence of 2nd Vice President John B. Troost, his report was received and filed without discussion.

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10. Monthly Report by Louis Burns, Access Services Customers Support Administrator, Access Services Incorporated. (14-1990)

Mr. Burns introduced his new supervisor, Ms. Sherry Kelly. In addition, he presented a gift to Commissioner Steve Miller in recognition of his recent retirement and for his continued support of the disabled community on behalf of Access Services.

Mr. Burns introduced Director Michael Greenwood, who provided a presentation on Access Safety and Emergency Preparedness and responded to questions posed by President Janet A. Neal and Commissioner Alexis Teran.

After discussion, President Janet A. Neal thanked Access Services for

their informative presentation. The report was received and filed. No action was taken by the Commission.

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- 11.** Monthly Report presented by Jess Segovia, ADA Manager, and Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Para-transit Program Administrator for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO). (14-2619)

Jess Segovia, ADA Manager of Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) provided a brief report on security at METRO stations, accessibility, and the implementation of a study on lighting design at facilities.

After discussion, President Janet A. Neal thanked Mr. Segovia for his informative presentation. The report was received. No action was taken by the Commission.

- 12.** Monthly Staff Report by Emma De Jesus. (14-2621)

Emma De Jesus reported that Chairman of the Board Don Knabe, Fourth District, recently appointed Carlos Benavides to the Commission on Disabilities.

After discussion, the report was received. No action was taken by the Commission.

- 13.** Commissioner Announcements. (14-2623)

No announcements were made.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

- 14.** Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-2625)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

15. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (14-2627)

Chanh to addressed the Commission on the 8th Annual Pathways to Wellness Conference and invited everybody to come to a free event to be held on July 20, 2014 at Temple Beth Am located at 1039 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles.

Kenn Small addressed the Commission on a mental health related event to be held at Mariposa Clubhouse located at 2500 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles.

Linda Block addressed the Commission on In-Home Support Services (IHSS) and the Cal Medi Connect programs.

Adjournment

16. Adjournment for the meeting of July 16, 2014. (14-2964)

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.